

May 2007 INTERPRETIVE SCHEDULE



Tuesday, May 1, 2007

8:00 a.m. – Hike – Pictographs – What Were They Trying to Say?

3 Hours

Join Volunteer Naturalists Paul Larson and Mary Ekelund on a moderate 3-mile roundtrip hike through a beautiful desert valley to a panoramic overlook. Along the way, we will look at some interesting plants, morteros and rock art. Meet at the entrance to Blair Valley, about a 45 minute drive from the visitor center.

Tuesday, May 8, 2007

8:00 a.m. - Hike - Earthquake Valley Panorama

3 hours

Join Volunteer Naturalists, Paul Larson and Mary Ekelund, for a moderate 4 mile hike up Plum Canyon to an overlook high over Earthquake Valley. Discover some interesting plants and geological features along the way. Meet at the entrance to Plum Canyon off Highway 78.

Saturday, May 12, 2007

1:00 p.m. - Talk ♿ - Solar Cooking Demonstration

1 Hour

Solar energy - the old/new technology. Volunteer naturalist Eleanor Shimeall demonstrates solar oven cooking and explains why this technology is so important. Meet in the Visitor Center Discovery Lab.

Saturday, May 19, 2007

2:00 p.m. – Talk - ♿ - The Mysterious Mountain Lion

45 Minutes

Park Interpreter Michael Rodriques explores the lives of California's big cats and discusses human / cougar conflict. Meet in the Visitor Center Discovery Lab.

Sunday, May 20, 2007

10:30 a.m. – Talk - ♿ - Desert Drug Store

30 Minutes

Join naturalist Abby Barker to discover the Native American drugstore, the creosote bush. Meet in the Visitor Center Discovery Lab.

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Saturday, May 26, 2007

10:30 a.m. – Talk - ♿ - Desert Drug Store 30 Minutes

Join naturalist Abby Barker to discover the Native American drugstore, the creosote bush. Meet in the Visitor Center Discovery Lab.

Saturday, May 26, 2007

2:00 p.m. – Talk - ♿ - Slithering and Scampering through ABDSP 45 Minutes

Discover the secrets of desert reptiles with Park Interpreter Michael Rodriques. Meet at the Visitor Center Discovery Lab.

Sunday, May 27, 2007

8:00 a.m. – Hike - Roving Naturalist in Borrego Palm Canyon 3 Hours

Volunteer naturalist Joe Hopkins will be roaming the Borrego Palm Canyon Trail searching for bighorn sheep and other interesting features along the trail. Look for him as you hike to the palm oasis. As an experienced naturalist, he can answer many of your questions about the park. If bighorn are about, he is sure to find them! This is not a guided hike.

Sunday, May 27, 2007

11:00 a.m. – Talk - ♿ - The Mysterious Mountain Lion 45 Minutes

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May 2007 INTERPRETIVE SCHEDULE



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10:00 a.m. – Talk - ♿ - Desert Drug Store 30 Minutes

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Monday, May 28, 2007

1:00 p.m. – Talk - ♿ - Slithering and Scampering through ABDSP 45 Minutes

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DESERT SAFETY

✓ **Carry water AND drink it**

Saving your water for the hike back has led to death in Anza-Borrego. Drink plenty of water before you leave home, while you hike, and on the return route. If you feel thirsty, it is already too late. Drink lots of water and drink often.

✓ **Make sure your vehicle is desert-ready.**

Equip your vehicle for the desert. You should always carry extra water, a shade tarp, a shovel, a tire pump, and extra food.

✓ **Prepare yourself.**

In addition to carrying water, you should have protective clothing, sunscreen, a hat, a good map, food and a first aid kit which includes a comb and tweezers.

✓ **Have a plan.**

Leave all your trip information with a friend. Tell him/her your destination, the route you intend to follow, your expected return time, a description of your vehicle with license plate number, and the time by which he/she should notify park authorities in case you do not return.

✓ **Do not split up the group**

Stay together. Never leave anyone behind to rest.

✓ **Leave snakes alone.**

Many venomous snakes live in the desert. If you threaten them, they may strike. It is illegal to harass, catch, or kill any snake within Anza-Borrego. If bitten, remain calm and seek immediate medical attention.

✓ **When emergencies happen ...**

Stop. Stay calm. Seek shelter. If you are with your vehicle, remain there; do not leave it. Signal with mirrors, white cloth, whistle (three short blasts on a whistle, pause, then three more, repeat frequently), and put your hood up. It is much easier to find a vehicle in the desert than a person!!!

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